

BEN PETTINGILL – True Vision

Overcoming Adversity/Positivity/Achieving the Impossible



Imagine waking up blind. One moment you can see, and in the next moment, your vision is made up only of childhood memories. At the tender age of 16, this became a reality for Ben Pettingill when overnight he lost 98% of his eyesight to a rare genetic syndrome, Lebers Hereditary Optic Neuropathy.

While the shock, then grief of losing one's eyesight cannot be discounted, once Ben processed his new reality he realised that he

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had to make a choice that would define the rest of his life. Ben believed that a blind man could see, and his miracle was the activation of 'True Vision' and 'Limitless Vision'. Vision enabled through purpose, perception and empowered decision making.

Like many people living with a disability, Ben is faced with challenges every day. He is also faced with choices every day. We all have the power to be intentional with our energy and we have the ability to create positivity from adverse situations. In Bens case, harnessing the right mindset, and developing resilience have been paramount to his happiness.

Ben is the guy who water-skis with direction through an ear piece, coaches' basketball teams without being able to see the ball, and has even driven a car! He is not limited by circumstances and his potential is infinite. Ben is also the co-founder of Challenge on Purpose, who form teams to participate in a variety of challenges that tests both you physically and mentally whilst raising funds for organisations close to your heart.

He is currently the only legally blind person in the world to have competed in a Spartan obstacle course race, untethered, and water-skied the Southern 80, the fastest water skiing race in the Southern Hemisphere.

Overall, Ben views life as an oasis of opportunity to learn and grow. While he may not be able to see physically, what he can see is that 'life has no limits' other than what we impose on ourselves, and it is up to us to create the life that we 'see' for ourselves.

As a speaker, Bens energy is infectious, and it is hard not to walk away feeling empowered to live your best life, regardless of the obstacles life throws your way. Ben is passionate about sharing the tools he has used to build resilience and to 'see' opportunity even in the face of adversity.

Overall, Ben has a clear purpose to empower people from all walks of life to harness True Vision and Limitless Vision. He is especially passionate about acting as a role model for visually impaired people, and enabling them to live a life where what they see is only limited by what they perceive.

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"Ben has an amazing story to tell and really inspires you to rethink your approach on life and what you can achieve. I would highly recommend Ben to others." -**NATALIE BROOKS, HR MANAGER, MENULOG**

"Ben is the most amazing motivational speaker! He came to speak for my year 7 & 8 students and was absolutely remarkable. I can highly recommend Ben Pettingill!" - **JESSIKA STEINER, TEACHER, CAMMERAYGAL HIGH**



SPEAKING TOPICS

TRUE VISION

WHAT YOU SEE ISN'T WHAT YOU GET

Through a powerful story of transformation, Ben speaks about his personal experience of overcoming one of the toughest adversities a person could ever face; losing his eyesight, overnight at age 16.

Ben's journey is extraordinary but the greatest lesson is how he discovered a whole new view in which to see himself, those around him and the situations he is faced with. This was the birth of True Vision; a mindset allowing anyone to see things from the inside out rather than the outside in. He now uses his message of True Vision to help businesses and organisations flip their vision to see their people, planet and profits soar.

Ben's unique style of integrating his personal story and key take aways from his presentations is highly engaging, encourages participation and leaves any audience truly transformed.

In this presentation, you will learn:

- Powerful stories in understanding True Vision including coaching a basketball team without being able to see the ball and having his understanding of perception flipped on it's head.
- How you and your team can discover True Vision.
- How you and your team can apply True Vision to your corporate culture using the 'Eye of True Vision'.

LIMITLESS VISION

FROM A LIMITED LIFE TO A LIMITLESS LIFE

When Ben lost his eyesight, his childhood hopes and dreams had been crushed for good, or so it seemed. With his relentlessly positive, 'can do' attitude, Ben made a conscious and strong decision to never allow his visual impairment to limit his life.

Too many people have big ideas or dreams, but lack the motivation and direction to bring their ideas to life and make their dreams reality. Through Ben's experiences, he shares with audiences his inspiring stories of achieving his dreams and actioning his ideas, despite his circumstances, and empowers his audiences to live life limitlessly also.

In pursuit of his dreams, Ben has created a step by step process for you and your teams to aspire, action and achieve any big, audacious goal, a 'Limitless Vision', to put an end to playing small and limiting and individuals, teams and the companies ability to soar.

In this presentation, you will learn:

- Unbelievable achievements that prove anything is possible through Ben's storytelling. Hear about his achievements to date plus what's to come.
- How you and your team can discover Limitless Vision.
- How your team can apply Limitless Vision to your corporate culture using the 'Eye of Limitless Vision'.